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Greek Oil Lamp

An ancient Hellenistic Greek pottery oil lamp with an elongated nozzle and thumb plate.

Ca. 4th - 2nd century BC.
Length: 3 1/2 in. (8 cm).

A full lamp of this type would burn for two or three hours.

cf.: D. M. Bailey, A Catalogue of Lamps in the British Museum, Vol. I, Greek, Hellenistic, and Early Roman Pottery Lamps, (London, 1975), nos. Q540-552.

Formerly in a Connecticut private collection, acquired in the 1960's.

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